

JOBS FOR MONTANA'S GRADUATES

JMG Specialists Score!

Montana received the **"5 for 5" Award** once again! JMG Specialists and students put Montana in the national spotlight when Jobs for Montana's Graduates was honored with the award at the recent national convention in Orlando, Florida. The **"5 for 5" Award** means that JMG exceeded every benchmark set by our national association, JAG.

We extend our congratulations to the JMG Specialists who accomplished **"5 for 5"** status at their own school. Congratulations to:

Amy Stops, Butte HS;
Fawn Thibodeaux, Havre S.U.N.S. HS;
Marjorie Chinadle, Northstar (Rudyard) HS;
Rose Edwards, Garfield County (Jordan) HS;
Ty Cotton, Cascade HS;
Todd Bishop and Norma Clements,
Dutton/Brady HS;
John Schmidt, Geyser HS;
Sandy Woldstad, Judith Gap HS;
Annawyn Griffin, Plains HS;
Ray Boksich, Whitefish Independent HS, and
Jacque Ainsworth, Powell County (Deer
Lodge) HS.

Thanks so much for all your hard work. We look forward to another great year!



Check This Out...

2005 – 2006 Performance Results

- **Senior graduation rate** 96.51%
- Senior positive outcome 87.83%
- Senior job placement 60.20%
- Senior full-time placement 92.35%
- Non-senior return to school 91.72%

JMG Pilots

Middle School Programs

JMG will pilot the new JAG Middle School program in six schools. Our pilot schools will be Absarokee, Poplar, Culbertson, Jordan, Plains and Dutton/Brady.

Training for the middle school program specialists was an exciting new adventure for JMG. The teachers at training were: Barb Clark, Jordan; Norma Clements, Dutton/Brady; Jane Strachan and Elaine Neese of Poplar; and Dana Richards, Gear Up.



Summer Training 101

Training for the new high school career specialist was a success. We welcome new specialists: Susan Conner, Youth Challenge; Janice Rorvic, Nashua HS; Mary Machart, Culbertson; and Kristen Uggetti-Lyndes, Helena High. New JMG staff member, Lucille Thomason, also attended training. All survived the intensive 4 days with the help of candy, tears and laughter!

JMG Pre-Post Tests

JMG Pre & Post tests have arrived! This is a wonderful opportunity to see how much your students learn from the JMG class. This year we will follow through with delivering post tests at the end of the semester and the end of the year.

The central office will provide you with copies of the pre-test **at your request**. Please let us know how many tests you will need. When the students have completed them, all you do is return the test copies and the answer sheets to us. We will grade and enter the scores into the E-ndms system. In the spring, we will offer the post-test in the same format.

Please be aware that the integrity of these tests and the results rests on protecting them from being copied or in any way compromised.

If you have any questions, please call the office or email us.



Reminders to Specialists

"To Do" items for the beginning of the school year....

1. Student Files (use new forms)
2. Set Up Rosters on Database
3. Plan Program of Work
4. Elect Officers
5. Plan I & I Ceremony
6. Follows on 2007 Seniors
7. Enter Student Profiles on Database

Specialists Honored

Congratulations!

Joe Barbero - Billings Career Center
Sharon Lindquist - Dawson County High School
Annawyn Griffin - Plains High School

JAG honored these specialists as State Organization High Performers. The specialists were nominated for their participation in all JMG state activities, completion of classroom and MCA activities and the completeness of their data. They will be receiving a JAG certificate and a \$350 check for their hard work!

Upcoming Conference

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Wednesday, October 24, 2007
Colonial Red Lion, Helena, MT

Plan to bring up to 8 officers.

Make reservations at the Colonial Red Lion & tell them you are with JMG. Rates are \$74.95 per room. Submit your registration, *Logo Event and *National JAG Letter by October 10, 2007.

*Refer to Competitive Events Manual 6.1

*Refer to Competitive Events Manual 6.2

Fall Highlights

September

Fall School Visits
Follows on 2007 Seniors

October

Fall School Visits
Teachers Conference 10/18-19
Fall Leadership Registration Due 10/10
National Leadership Letter
Logo Competitive Event Entry
Fall Leadership Conference 10/24

November

Submit newsletter articles

December

National Student Leadership Conference
Follows on 2007 Seniors